RIDIAN CITY
THIS IS THE GYM...
VIRIDIAN CITY GYM
BUT IT'S STILL CLOSED?
THEY SAY GIOVANNI'S BEEN MISSING FOR A LONG TIME
THE GYM LEADER THERE!
WHO'S GIOVANNI?

MAKE WAY FOR MAGMAR! 23

DIGLETT'S CAVE- PEWTER CITY EXIT
MAN! IT'S SO BRIGHT!
THAT WAS WHAT I CALL A LONG TUNNEL!
C'MON, MISTER! WHAT'S TAKING YOU SO LONG!?
HA HA HA DON'T PUSH ME SO HARD
YOU'RE JUST A BUNDLE OF ENERGY AREN'T YOU RED? HEH
STILL, I'M SORRY TO TAKE YOU SO FAR OFF THE TRACK OF YOUR TRAVELS LIKE THIS
HEY NO PROBLEM I'M THE ONE WHO SAID I WANTED TO COME ALONG!
I MEAN LOOKING FOR POKÉMON FOSSILS--IT DOESN'T GET MUCH BETTER THAN THAT!
I HOPE SOME O THE ROCKS WE DUG UP YESTERDAY HAVE SOME-THING GREAT HIDDEN IN THEM!
HA HA HA I HOPE SO TOO
BUT YOU KNOW, THEY COULD ALL BE JUST PLAIN ROCKS
NO WAY
WE'LL FIND OUT-- AT THE MUSEUM IN PEWTER CITY!

UMMM
WHAT IS IT?
I CAN'T HELP FEELING LIKE I'VE SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE
GRAWL! GRWL!
I CAN'T REMEMBER WHERE BUT .
ARE YOU SURE WE COULDN'T HAVE MET?
THAT AGAIN, HUH?
HOW CAN I REMEMBER SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN'T REMEMBER?
OH WELL
MAYBE IT'S JUST THAT I CAN'T THINK OF ANY FELLOW POKÉMON LOVER AS A STRANGER.
HA HA HA A POKÉMON LOVER I AM... BUT I'M JUST A LOWLY RESEARCHER
I CAN ONLY WISH I WERE A GREAT TRAINER LIKE YOU, RED!
Y--YEAH... RIGHT!
EVEN GYM LEADERS TREMBLE IN FEAR OF ME!
TWIX

E--EVEN GYM LEADERS EH? MY MY...
WHAT, YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME!?
I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY GYM LEADERS I'VE CLOBBERED
BUT
NOT TO MENTION SOME OF TEAM ROCKET'S BEST!
HA HA HA NO DOUBT, NO DOUBT
YOU DON'T SAY IT LIKE YOU MEAN IT!
AHEM WARM DAY, DON'T YOU THINK?
Y--YEAH IN FACT, CONSIDERING WE HAVEN'T WALKED MUCH IT'S PRETTY HOT!
YOU THINK SO TOO, PIKA-CHU?
THIS HEAT IS CAUSED BY FLAMES!
A WILD MAGMAR NO, TWO!!
WHAT!?

WOOOOSH
THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE IS BURNING!!
W-- WAS IT--
STARTED BY POKÉMON !?
GYOOOH
MAGMAR!
MARRRR--
I WAS RIGHT!!
LOOK OUT, MISTER!
HOOOSH
MMM?
NOW LOOK WHAT A GREAT TRAINER CAN DO!!
CHK
GRRN
AHH
AT LAST I CAN SEE HOW GOOD HE REALLY IS!
WONDER WHAT'LL HE LEAD WITH.

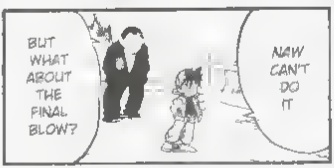
BUF!
SNORLAX!
SHOOK
A SNORLAX RECOVERS ITS HEALTH WHILE IT'S ASLEEP, SO THIS SHOULD BUY US SOME TIME!
A...A SNORLAX FIRE WALL? CLEVER...BUT A LITTLE RUTHLESS, WOULDN'T YOU SAY?
CHUNK KHUM
KEEP IT QUIET FOR A MINUTE, WILLY!? I'M TRYING TO THINK HOW TO PUT OUT THE FLAMES!
JUST AS I THOUGHT --HE'S STILL A CHILD!! RAW COURAGE AND NO PLANNING!
SHOOT! MY POLIWRATH'S HEALTH IS REALLY LOW!! WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW!?
OBVIOUSLY I DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT HIM--
PAP!
GOT IT! SNORLAX RETURN!
SAND-SHREW I CHOOSE YOU!
?
BUM

BUT ISN'T THAT THE LOW-LEVEL ONE YOU JUST CAUGHT?
YEE-LIP!
NOW GET OVER HERE!
H HERE
A "GROUND" TYPE POKÉMON CAN USE ITS POWERS TO THE FULLEST IN SANDY SOIL, RIGHT!?
SO SAND-ATTACK!
AND SAND IS GREAT FOR SUFFOCATING FLAMES, RIGHT?
AND IT GOES THROUGH THE FLAMES AND HITS THINGS!!
SO GO SAND-SHREW GO!
HMM WHAT HE LACKS IN KNOWLEDGE HE MAKES UP IN INGENUITY! PERHAPS THAT INVENTIVENESS IS WHAT WON HIM UNLIKELY VICTORIES...
HOW-EVER

THE SAND IS HITTING THEM BUT IT ONLY SEEMS TO ANNOY THEM. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?
HMMM
I'M THINKIN', I'M THINKIN'!! I DON'T NEED A BACKSEAT DRIVER!!
LEMME SEE, I COULD OR MAYBE OR
SAND-SHREW! RUN!!
SHREW!
?
IS HE GIVING UP?
SHREWWWWWWW
SHREWWWWW
IF THE ATTACK DOESN'T WORK THEN MAYBE
OH HO HO

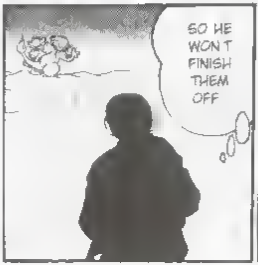
SHREEWWWWWWW
...I CAN KNOCK 'EM OFF THEIR FEET!!
ZEEEEEEEL
ZOMP!
WA-HA!
SHHHH!
DIG! DIG!
POP!
SHHHH...
HE'S QUICK!
AND KNOWS HOW TO USE A POKÉMON'S ABILITY!
HMM I'D BETTER TAKE CARE OF HIM NOW...
KCH

SAND-SHREW RETURN!
PACH!
BOM!


BUT WHAT ABOUT THE FINAL BLOW?
NAW CAN'T DO IT

LOOKA THOSE GUYS-- THEY CAN'T MOVE!

I CAN'T ATTACK A HELPLESS OPPONENT LIKE THAT!


SO HE WON'T FINISH THEM OFF

HA HA HA

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HA HA HA HA

WELL GUESS WE CAN'T STUDY ANY FOSSILS NOW
SIZZZZLE...
TRUE BUT THEN, THEY'RE PROBABLY JUST USELESS PEBBLES ANYWAY
NAW, C'MON!
AND SINCE I PROBABLY WON'T SEE YOU AGAIN AFTER THIS RED
WHY DON'T YOU TAKE ONE? AS A FAREWELL GIFT?
WELL IT'S PRETTY, ANYWAY?
LOOKS LIKE A BUG TRAPPED INSIDE TOO!!
GOOD LUCK WITH THE REMAINDER OF YOUR JOURNEY
IT WAS GREAT TAGGIN' ALONG WITH YOU FOR A WHILE MISTER!
BYE!
AND THANKS!!
HA HA
TAKE CARE, RED

GRR
THINKING IT WAS OVER BECAUSE HE'D KNOCKED THEM DOWN
HE'S TOO SOFT!
GRR
GRR
MAGMARS ARE SAVAGE--AND INTELLIGENT. THEY'LL TRACK DOWN THE ONE WHO BEAT THEM!
WHO
VSOH
FSH!
FSH!
BAM
PC
MP!

SSSSHHHHHHHH
SHHHHHHHH
A FOOL LIKE HIM...
GONK!
WILL DESTROY HIMSELF IF WE ONLY WAIT LONG ENOUGH
CLOYSTER, FINISH IT
WAK!
KRUMBLE
HEH HEH

WHEN I HEARD THAT HE DEFEATED KOGA AND LT SURGE I WANTED TO SEE WHAT HE WAS ABOUT BUT HA HA HA
IMAGINE THINKING THAT LITTLE BOY..
HESHH
HA... HA HA HA.
R
.. WAS ANY THREAT TO TEAM ROCKET!
TO BE CONTINUED!!!